Introduction

This Prince Edward Island fishery statistical brochure is designed to present the most current information available on the fishing industry . In terms of economics the fishery ranks third in the province behind agriculture and tourism.
The fishery landed weight in 2012 exceeded 125 million pounds and a landed value in excess of $181 million. The value to the economy of the Province exceeds $362 million. The industry employs as many as 8,600 people at peak production.

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Department of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Rural Development

General Information

No. of Commercial Fishermen		4,150
No. of Fishing Vessels - inshore		1,300
No. of Licenced Lobster Fishermen		1,261
No. of Licensed Groundfish Fishermen		800
No. of Licensed Mackerel Fishermen		1,279
No. of Licensed Herring Fishermen		869
No. of Employees in Processing Plants		3,000
No. of Provincially Licensed and Federally Registered Export Plants		42
No. of Provincially Licensed Non-Export Plants		20
No. of Major Shellfish Shippers		17
No. of Finfish Culture Sites		4
No. of Oyster leases on bottom	5601 acres	751
No. of Oyster leases off bottom	2074 acres	206
No. of Mussel leases	11233 acres	316

Value of Fishery to P.E.I. Economy =
Approximately $362 Million

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Landed Weight (000s lbs.)

	2011	2012
Groundfish	301	289
Pelagic & Estuarial	27,370	23,245
Molluscs & Crustaceans	84,057	96,646
Seaplants	3,929	5,554
Total	**115,657**	**125,734**

Landings and Value of Major Species - 2012

	000s lbs.	Metric Tons	000s $
Cod	74	34	82
Flounder	42	19	30
Blackbacks	120	54	116
Halibut	54	25	244
Tuna	341	155	2,535
Mackerel	2,168	984	998
Herring	19,929	9,042	5,467
Gaspereaux	201	91	121
Eels	240	109	844
Smelts	11	5	12
Silversides	354	161	264
Cultured Finfish	0	0	3,200
Lobster	27,236	12,358	113,756
Bar Clams	1,319	598	567
Soft-Shell Clams	1,066	484	1,013
Quahaugs	1,714	778	1,543
Scallops	1,062	482	1,046
Mussels	50,023	22,696	30,014
Oysters	6,143	2,787	7,617
Snow Crab	3,778	1,714	9,411
Rock Crab	4,281	1,942	1,900
Whelks	24	11	9
Irish Moss	4,289	1,946	536
Furcellaria Mix	1,265	574	159
TOTAL FISH AND MARINE PLANTS	**125,734**	**57,048**	**181,484**

Landed Value (000s $)

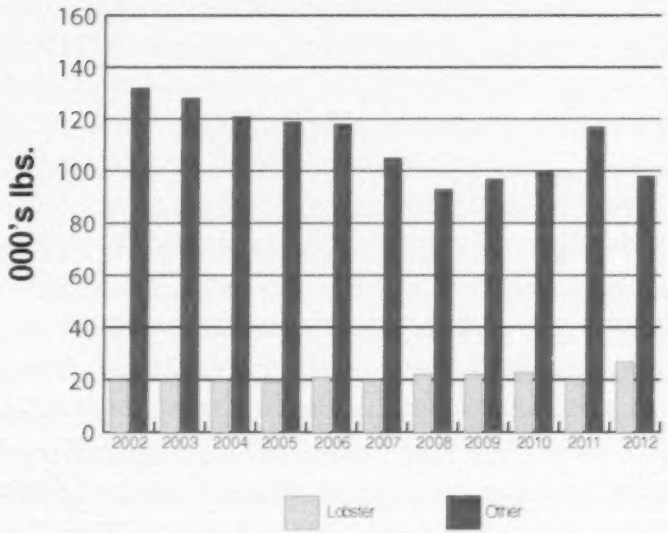
	2011	2012
Groundfish	588	472
Pelagic & Estuarial	12,274	13,441
Molluscs & Crustaceans	125,859	166,876
Seaplants	390	695
Total	**139,111**	**181,484**

Lobster Landings and Values

V= Values in 000s $ Q= Quantity in million lbs.

		Q	V
Avg. 30's		7.8	503.8
Avg. 40's		6.6	1,102.3
Avg. 50's		8.3	2,234.8
Avg. 60's		8.6	4,188.9
Avg. 70's		8.7	9,368.3
Avg. 80's		16.1	33,857.5
1990s	1990	22.5	40,348.0
	1991	22.8	48,521.9
	1992	19.6	58,068.0
	1993	19.8	51,712.0
	1994	18.9	65,398.0
	1995	19.3	79,242.0
	1996	17.9	61,319.0
	1997	17.6	70,614.0
	1998	18.9	80,553.0
	1999	18.4	88,778.0
Avg 90's		**19.6**	**62,455.3**
2000s	2000	19.1	87,769.0
	2001	19.3	104,831.0
	2002	19.9	105,339.0
	2003	20.0	108,308.0
	2004	19.9	100,099.0
	2005	18.5	103,222.0
	2006	21.5	113,391.0
	2007	20.1	108,647.0
	2008	21.9	100,740.0
	2009	22.9	71,895.0
	2010	23.8	82,382.0
	2011	20.7	79,595.0
	2012	**27.2**	**113,756.0**

PEI Fish Landings - 2002 to 2012



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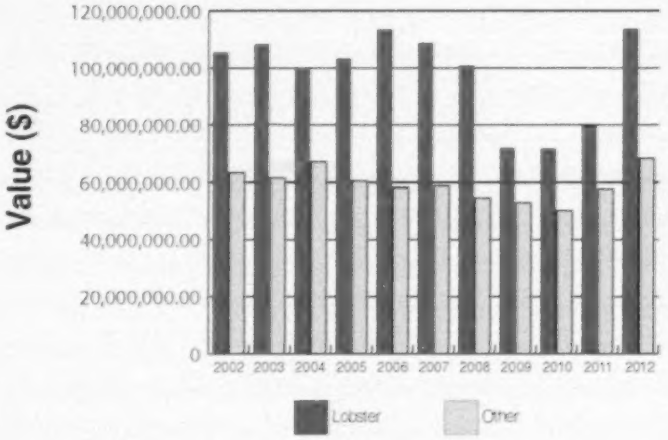


Crab Landings 2008-2012 (lbs.)

Year	Snow	Rock	Spider (Toad)
2008	5,815,670	4,957,475	116,411
2009	4,329,835	4,527,835	0
2010	1,818,498	4,607,542	0
2011	2,189,772	4,724,329	0
2012	3,777,652	4,280,726	0

Top 10 Species By Value

	2011 SPECIES	(~000's $)		2012 SPECIES	(~000's $)
1.	Lobster	79,595	1.	Lobster	113,756
2.	Mussels	26,716	2.	Mussels	30,014
3.	Snow Crab	7,121	3.	Snow Crab	9,411
4.	Oysters	6,622	4.	Oysters	7,617
5.	Cultured Finfish	3,700	5.	Herring	5,467
6.	Herring	3,367	6.	Cultured Finfish	3,200
7.	Bluefin Tuna	2,949	7.	Bluefin Tuna	2,535
8.	Rock Crab	1,903	8.	Rock Crab	1,900
9.	Quahaugs	1,633	9.	Quahaugs	1,543
10.	Mackerel	1,367	10.	Scallops	1,046

Top 10 Species By Weight

	2011 SPECIES	000s lbs.		2012 SPECIES	000s lbs.
1.	Mussels	46,062	1.	Mussels	50,023
2.	Herring	23,013	2.	Lobster	27,235
3.	Lobster	20,720	3.	Herring	19,928
4.	Oysters	5,913	4.	Oysters	6,143
5.	Rock Crab	4,724	5.	Rock Crab	4,280
6.	Mackerel	3,086	6.	Snow Crab	3,777
7.	Snow Crab	2,189	7.	Mackerel	2,168
8.	Quahaugs	1,667	8.	Quahaugs	1,714
9.	Bar Clams	1,213	9.	Bar Clams	1,318
10.	Scallops	1,064	10.	Soft Shell Clams	1,066

Lobster Landings (lbs.) – 2012

	Canners	Markets	Total
LFA 24	9,701,830	6,481,678	16,183,508
LFA 26A	3,095,392	3,370,540	6,465,932
LFA 25	2,727,713	1,858,727	4,586,440
		Total	27,235,880

LFA 24 – North Cape to East Point
(Season: May 01 to June 30)

LFA 26A – East Point to Victoria
(Season: May 01 to June 30)

LFA 25 – Victoria to North Cape
(Season: August 9 to October 10)

PEI Aquaculture Production 1992 – 2012

Landings (lbs.)

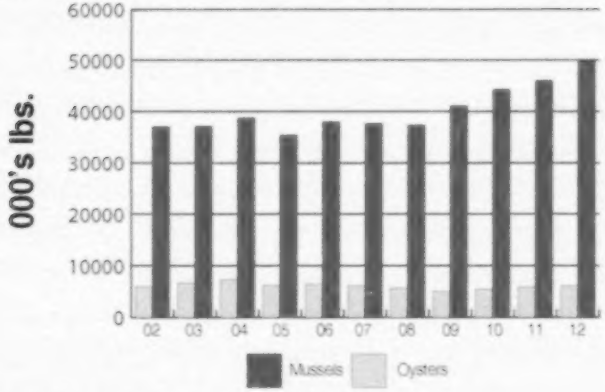
Year	Oysters	Mussels	Finfish	Total
1992	2,593,795	9,210,010	123,000	11,926,805
1993	2,657,645	10,555,626	107,462	13,320,733
1994	3,424,836	13,112,208	117,692	16,654,736
1995	3,952,397	16,468,177	130,180	20,550,754
1996	3,695,705	19,442,519	140,760	23,278,984
1997	3,149,563	21,993,112	207,920	25,265,966
1998	4,351,746	27,472,459	218,852	32,043,057
1999	5,342,301	30,626,539	180,526	36,149,366
2000	6,022,545	39,459,453	168,000	45,649,998
2001	6,031,400	38,599,186	195,640	44,826,226
2002	6,028,835	37,003,701	72,080	43,104,616
2003	6,694,693	37,102,487	53,552	43,850,732
2004	7,352,700	38,747,715	44,305	46,144,720
2005	6,281,054	35,350,173	24,000	41,655,227
2006	6,439,913	38,025,462	22,500	44,487,875
2007	6,183,797	37,645,688	30,000	43,859,485
2008	5,653,918	37,301,880	9,000	42,964,798
2009	5,028,503	41,091,361	0	46,119,864
2010	5,462,146	44,338,470	0	49,800,616
2011	5,913,310	46,062,700	0	51,976,010
2012	6,143,281	50,023,365	0	56,166,646

Note: Oyster landings include the public oyster fishery and lease production.

Values (000s)$

Year	Oysters	Mussels	Finfish	Total
1992	2,062	4,969	542	7,563
1993	2,227	4,972	406	7,605
1994	3,275	6,321	487	10,083
1995	3,070	8,596	532	12,198
1996	2,945	10,693	806	14,444
1997	3,181	12,096	817	16,094
1998	4,447	15,110	882	20,439
1999	5,075	16,845	786	22,706
2000	6,324	21,703	733	28,760
2001	6,273	23,160	811	30,244
2002	5,727	22,202	892	28,821
2003	7,431	23,597	852	31,880
2004	6,670	23,249	3,256	33,175
2005	5,527	21,422	1,868	28,837
2006	7,793	22,813	1,311	31,917
2007	6,702	21,777	1,684	30,163
2008	5,654	22,381	1,624	29,659
2009	5,075	24,655	1,828	33,567
2010	5,844	26,603	2,200	36,657
2011	6,622	26,716	3,700	37,038
2012	7,617	30,014	3,200	40,831

PEI Mussel and Oyster Landings 2002 to 2012



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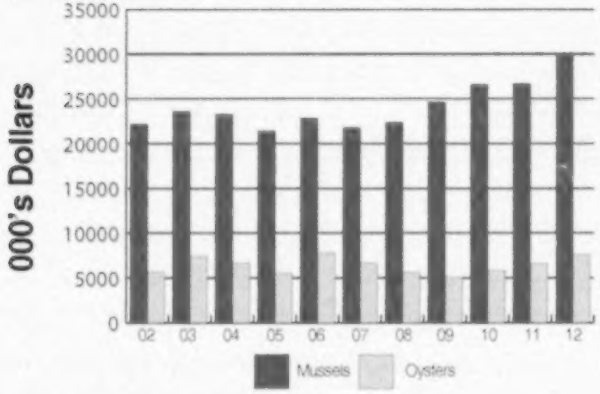

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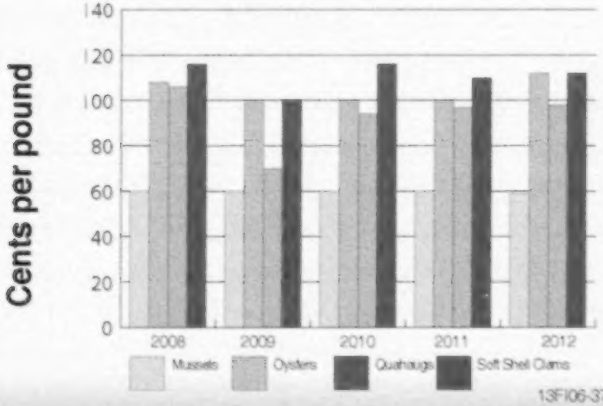

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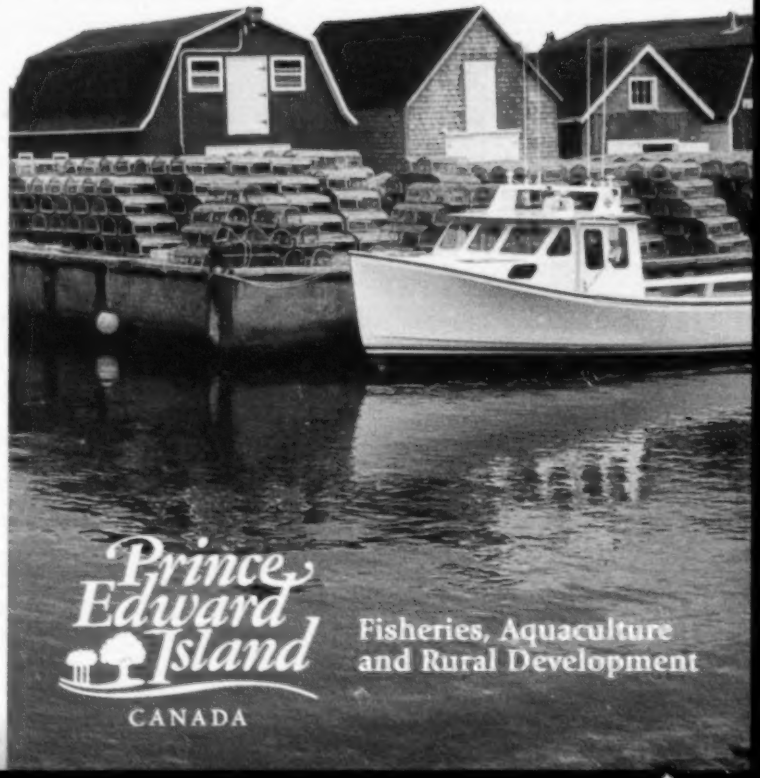

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